



Dear Team & Family,

Thank you so much for sharing your input and feedback with us throughout the past few months as we have navigated these uncertain times. Your insightful comments, questions and suggestions have been instrumental to our decision making. When we last reached out to you, we shared our plans to welcome a small group of targeted scholars across the region to pilot in-person learning were put on hold.

Today I am writing with an update on these plans.

As you may have heard, Atlanta Public Schools will begin transitioning to in-person instruction in late January/early February. Similarly, we will begin to transition to in-person learning with a small pilot group of staff and targeted scholars beginning on February 8, 2021.

In the coming weeks our operations teams will be busy making sure our facilities are prepared for the pilot to begin and our team will return to set up classrooms for a safe and excellent launch. Staff and scholars who participate in our pilot group will complete training around all the necessary health and safety procedures and will all receive personal protective equipment. Safety, equity and excellence have been our guiding principles with all decisions so far and will remain our top priorities as we prepare for this pilot. We will share more information as we finalize details in the coming weeks.

As we prepare for this small pilot group of targeted scholars to join us in February, please take a few minutes to share your feedback with us. Specifically, we are interested in whether you would be interested in your scholar participating in this small group pilot if targeted based on academic and other criteria. Please note that opportunities to participate will be limited. Additionally, as we continue to plan for an eventual return to school with a larger group, please share whether you would elect for your scholars to participate in safe, socially distant, in-person learning or if you would prefer to remain virtual.

We look forward to receiving your feedback and are eager to share more about our plans in the coming weeks.

With gratitude,

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